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Agenda

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Organization of work.
4. Conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction, in particular, together and as a whole, marine genetic resources, including questions on the sharing of benefits, measures such as area-based management tools, including marine protected areas, and environmental impact assessments, capacity-building and the transfer of marine technology, within the process initiated by the General Assembly in accordance with resolution 66/231.
5. Identification of gaps and ways forward, with a view to ensuring an effective legal framework for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction, within the process initiated by the General Assembly in accordance with resolution 66/231.
6. Intersessional workshops aimed at improving understanding of the issues and clarifying key questions with regard to the issues identified in items 4 and 5 as an input to the work of the Working Group, within the process initiated by the General Assembly in accordance with resolution 66/231.
7. Consideration and adoption of recommendations to the General Assembly.
8. Other matters.
9. Closure of the meeting.

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